

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Minutes of the Meeting of 8 May 2007 at 9:30 AM. The meeting took place in the Conference Room, Town and County Building, Nantucket, MA 02554. Members of the Board present were Brian Chadwick, Michael Kopko, Allen Reinhard, Patricia Roggeveen and Whiting Willauer. Chairman Willauer called the meeting to order at 9:30 AM.

1. Discussion/Review of 2007-08 Goals. Chairman Willauer provided an introduction by reviewing operational guidelines resulting from the Board's recent team-building workshop. The Board reviewed the current mission statement and discussed proper planning and the potential development of a vision statement. Mr. Reinhard suggested insertion of "planning" or "long-term planning" in the mission statement. The Board consented to add "long-term planning" to the statement as follows:

The mission of the Board of Selectmen is to serve the community by providing clear, concise goals and policies that ensure quality in the delivery of Town services, long-term planning and improved efficiencies in operating Town government.

The Board proceeded to discuss the goals in sequence, noting action items to follow. The Board consented to revisions to the goals to expand "Improve and Protect Our Water" to "Improve and Protect Our Water and Coastal Resources;" and to make "Improve Infrastructure" the third goal, instead of the fifth. Discussion followed on developing a growth management plan under the goal "Manage Growth" to include an economic development component. Discussion continued on the Board's setting priorities regarding growth via policy consensus at Wednesday night meetings. The Board consented to include development of a growth management plan under the Manage Growth goal.

The Board focused the discussion on specific objectives listed, agreeing to eliminate "develop staffing plan to identify areas of improvement" as this is a given; and to add "improve communication and coordination with state representatives."

Discussion followed on adding an objective for centralized management regarding enterprise funds and elected boards to strengthen the Town Manager position. The Board consented to add "increase oversight by Town Manager of Town Departments" to include all departments.

The Board consented to meet again to discuss goals on May 11, 2007 at 8:30 AM.

Robert Schwarzenbach, Energy Study Committee member, asked for the board's consideration of a Nantucket Strategic Energy Plan. Island resident Barbara Gookin requested the Board formulate a community housing plan.

2. Review of Committee Applicant Interview Criteria/Questions for May 14, 2007 Public Hearing. The Board reviewed the process for hearing applicants the annual appointments to fill vacancies on boards, commissions and committees. Discussion followed on making an introductory statement about the relationship between the Board and appointed groups; how to group and hear applicants; objective consideration of committee needs; general rules of conduct for all boards; direct financial interests of applicants and current members; importance of reminders about state ethics laws.

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Discussion followed on strengthening the committee structure to address attendance issues that may occur; scheduling of periodic subsequent appointment processes; the importance of responsiveness to the Board via communications protocols for all committees and the need for consideration of reasons for creation of committees.

The meeting adjourned at 12:30 PM.

Approved the ---- day of -- 2007.